Organization and additional security costs or benefits that may accrue to the United States from enlargement of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

The state of democracy and free market (6)development as it affects the preparedness of Central and Eastern European nations for the responsibilities of membership of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, including civilian control of the military. the rule of law, human rights, and parliamentary oversight. The state of relations between prospective members of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization and their neighbors. steps taken by prospective members to reduce tensions. and mechanisms for the peaceful resolution of border disputes. The commitment of prospective members of Atlantic Treaty Organization to the principles of the North Atlantic Treaty and the security of the North Atlantic area.

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The effect of enlargement of the North Atlantic area. the North The effect of enlargement of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization on the political economic and security conditions of European Partnership for Peace nations not among the first new members of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. (10)The relationship between enlargement of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization and EU enlargement and the costs and benefits of both (11) The relationship between enlargement of Atlantic Treaty Organization and treaties relevant to United States and European security, such as the Conventional Armed Forces in Europe Treaty.
(12) The anticipated impact both of enlargement of the

North Atlantic Treaty Organization and further delays of enlargement on Russian foreign and defense policies and the costs and benefits of a security relationship between the North

Atlantic Treaty Organization and Russia.

(b) INTERPRETATION—Nothing in this section shall be interpreted or construed to affect the implementation of the NATO Participation Act of 1994 (title II of Public Law 103-447: 22 U.S.C. 1928 note). or any other program or activity which facilitates or assists prospective members of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

Subtitle E—Management of Armed Forces Retirement Home

SEC. 1051. RETIREMENT HOME BOARDS OF DIRECTORS.

(a) ADDITIONAL TERM OF OFFICE.—Subsection (e) of section

1515 of the Armed Forces Retirement Home Act of 1991 (24 U.S.C.

415) is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

"(3) The Chairman of the Retirement Home Board may appoint a member of the Retirement Home Board for a second

consecutive term. The Chairman of a Local Board may appoint a member of that Local Board for a second consecutive term (b) FARLY EXPIRATION OF TERM.—(1) Subsection (f) of such section is amended to read as follows:

(f) EARLY EXPIRATION OF TERM.—A member of the Armed Forces or Federal civilian employee who is appointed as a member of the Retirement Home Board or a Local Board may serve as a board member only so long as the member of the Armed Forces